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2012 Highlights:

- Served 30 low-income elderly and disabled individuals in the Greater Richmond Area
- Able to act as referral to other additional services for elderly and disabled for 15 others
- Youngest ramp recipient was 17, oldest was 86
- Created Alumni Advisory Board to support student volunteer efforts. Board comprised of young members of business community who are high school alumni of the RAMPS program
- Two ramps built for spinal cord injury patients
- At least eight ramp recipients are stroke victims
- Two ramps built for individuals with diabetic—related amputations
- Four ramps built for MS patients, one for ALS patient
- Three ramps built for individuals less than 30 years of age
- Hired part-time employee to assist with club development and program support

Community Service:
RAMPS introduced 78 new student volunteers to the benefits of community service in 2012, bringing the total number of student volunteers to over 500 students in the course of our existence. These 2012 volunteers donated over 400 hours of service as they wrote grant requests, organized fundraisers, and joined in community outreach efforts.

Leadership Development:
RAMPS worked closely with the Cochrane Summer Economics Institute, hosted at The Collegiate School. In one day, 32 volunteers from local high schools built six ramps for individuals in Richmond, Henrico, and Chesterfield. These students had a fantastic time building ramps for individuals who needed them. They also planted flowers, put down mulch, and in one case, even brought bird-seed for one recipient’s birdfeeder.

Hospice/Palliative Care Support:
Over the past few years, RAMPS has received requests to assist individuals who are in hospice care. Until this year, we were unable to respond to these requests. However, with the support of our generous donors, we have now established a “closet” of materials to use and reuse for these clients. In 2012, we built six wheelchair ramps for individuals in hospice. In one case, the ramp allowed a young man to go to the movies one last time with his mother, an experience she treasures to this day.

Mission:
To help the less fortunate by paying for and building modular wheelchair ramps for those people who are in physical need and have qualified for financial assistance.

Working Together:
We appreciate the opportunity to work with Chesterfield County, Henrico County, the MS Society, the ALS Association, various departments of the Medical College of Virginia, Resources for Independent Living, and project:HOMES to provide safe wheelchair ramps for those in need.
The Collegiate School
Deep Run High School
Maggie Walker Governor’s School
Midlothian High School
Monacan High School
St. Catherine’s School
Thomas Jefferson High School

Highlights from each school’s builds are below, as well as a quote from each ramp recipient:

“Bless your hearts, everyone was so polite and knew exactly what to do!”

“Our Maggie Walker Club did a great job on a cold December day building two ramps, including the one shown above. “Our family is just so thankful, thank you!”

“Getting my sister in and out of the house is so much easier!”

“Thank you, the kids did a great job!”

“Thank you from the bottom of our hearts!”

Deep Run High School students participated in a build to see how their donation from the Deep Run Marathon Dance would be used.

Recycling materials, or “re-ramped material”, continues to be an important factor in our business model, in 2012, we recaptured and reused $34,000 worth of materials. While this represents a decline in recycled materials from 2011, the good news is that this is due to longer use of the ramps by our current clients.

From 2005 to 2012, over 500 student volunteers from 24 different high schools and colleges have donated over 5,000 hours to improve the lives of these individuals by providing access to the outside world with 175 wheelchair ramps.

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www.rampsbystudents.org

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